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44 EUROPEAN STATEMENTS OF HOSPITAL PHARMACY

EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF HOSPITAL PHARMACISTS

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making the difference in medication
The European Association of Hospital Pharmacists represents more than 19,000 hospital pharmacists in 35 European countries and is the only association of national organisations representing hospital pharmacists at European and international levels.

Our mission

EAHP represents and develops the hospital pharmacy profession within Europe in order to ensure the continuous improvement of care and outcomes for patients in the hospital setting. This is achieved through science, research, education, practice, as well as sharing best-practice and responsibility with other healthcare professionals.

Our structure

The prime governing body is the General Assembly, which meets annually and elects the Board of the Association.

The General Assembly is a delegate conference at which each member state may have up to three delegates.

The Board of Directors is the Executive Body of the Association and is elected for a three-year term of office, with the possibility to be re-elected. The responsibility for the core activities of the association are shared between the different directors.

Our goals

- Promote the best & safest use of medicines & medical devices
- Create a platform for the education & training of hospital pharmacists
- Advancing high quality patient care
EAHP’s ultimate goal as an association is to provide continuing education for hospital pharmacists and this is done via:

**EAHP’s annual congress**

It’s the largest congress for hospital pharmacy in Europe and attracts pharmacists from all over the world. The EAHP Congress continues to provide you with an exceptional opportunity to meet, network and share expertise and best practice with colleagues while keeping up to date with the latest developments in hospital pharmacy and learning about the latest products and innovations.

EAHP is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education.

**EAHP Academy Seminars**

The aim of the EAHP Academy is to foster research and educational activities to allow hospital pharmacists from all European countries to develop their activities in a general setting of public health in their country or across the continent.
EAHP’S CURRENT POLICY & ADVOCACY PRIORITIES

Implementing the 44 European Statements of Hospital Pharmacy

Creating a common training framework for hospital pharmacy in Europe

Representing and defending the interests of hospital pharmacy in respect to the implementation of the Falsified Medicines Directive

Leveraging the role of the hospital pharmacist in combating antimicrobial resistance

Securing EU level action on the pan European health threat of medicines shortages

Achieving the bar coding of medicines to the single unit of the primary package in order to facilitate bedside scanning checks in hospitals
The European Journal of Hospital Pharmacy (EJHP) is the only official journal of the EAHP and is committed to advancing the science, practice and profession of hospital pharmacy. As the premier communication platform for hospital pharmacists worldwide, EJHP is a major source for continuing education as well as updates on advances in the practice and standard of pharmaceutical care for patients.

With peer reviewed papers, features, conference reports and more on topics covering all aspects of hospital pharmacy from both a scientific and practice perspective, the journal aims to highlight innovations and developments in pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences, promoting safe, efficacious and cost-effective pharmaceutical care for hospital pharmacists to practise.

BMJ publishes EJHP on behalf of the EAHP.

EAHP’s surveys of hospital pharmacy practice across Europe

EAHP conducts survey surveillance of practice development in Europe via annual surveys connected to the European Statements of Hospital Pharmacy.

The survey results provide important insights to assist efforts being made in respect to hospital pharmacy practice development across Europe.

To commence the new annual cycle of survey activity, an initial baseline survey of hospital pharmacy practice was conducted in early 2015. From these results a reliable barometer can be made of how year-by-year progress in practice development is being made.
Implementation of the European Statements of Hospital Pharmacy

The European Statements of Hospital Pharmacy express commonly agreed objectives which every European health system should aim for in the delivery of hospital pharmacy services to improve patient outcomes. Adopted in 2014, the Statements were subject to open Delphi consultation with national hospital pharmacy associations, European patient groups, doctors and nursing organizations.

The project has

- An Implementation team in the EAHP Secretariat;
- A project plan approved by EAHP delegates (June 2016); and,
- National implementation ambassadors to support the project.

The action plan focuses on

- Raising awareness;
- Building resources (research papers; case studies, etc.);
- Identifying Statement Implementation Learning Collaborative Centres: hospitals willing to provide training to hospital pharmacists in procedures related to the Statements;
- Securing support from relevant stakeholders both at a national and European level;
- Identifying and designing national implementation strategies; and,
- A self-assessment tool that will allow hospital pharmacist to assess the level of implementation with in their countries.
The European Association of Hospital Pharmacists and its 35-member country platforms are creating a **Common Training Framework** for hospital pharmacy education in Europe.

**What is Common Training Framework?**

An international agreement on:
- Competencies
- Knowledge
- Skills
- Attitudes

required by the profession to deliver on the 44 European Statements of Hospital Pharmacy.

The coordination of a common training framework for hospital pharmacy education emanates from the central mission of the EAHP to aid the development of hospital pharmacy practice in the interest of the continuous improvement of care and outcomes for patients in the hospital setting.

Visit the CTF website:

www.hospitalpharmacy.eu

**Good Practice Initiatives**

EAHP is collecting examples of good practice initiatives (GPIs) in order to:
- Inspire and encourage fellow hospital pharmacists in other countries to strive for the next high standard in practice;
- Identify how other colleagues were able to overcome barriers and obstacles in order to make improvement happen; and,
- Give recognition to those who have completed successful new initiatives in hospital pharmacy service.
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